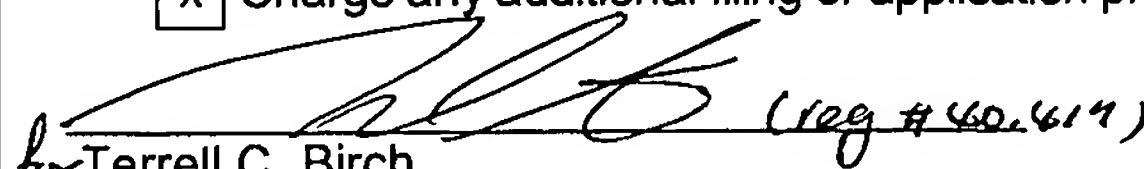


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. 0425-1082P	
Application No. 10/678,088-Conf. #4496		Filing Date October 6, 2003		Examiner B. J. Gooden	
Art Unit 3616					
Applicant(s): Masayuki NAKAYASU et al.					
Invention: INFLATOR					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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**FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims** 22 - 23 =        x        =        **Fee Paid (\$)**

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**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

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Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated March 9, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- Amended Claim Set; and
- Remarks.

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